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Corps to brief FNOD Restoration Advisory Board on cleanup progress

SUFFOLK, Va. –The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will host its next quarterly Former Nansemond Ordnance Depot (FNOD) Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting on March 1 at 6:15 p.m.

The RAB meeting, which is open to the public, will be held in the second floor conference room at the Bon Secours Health Center at Harbour View, located at 5818 Harbour View Boulevard in Suffolk.

The quarterly RAB meeting serves as a forum to update the community on the cleanup efforts and to receive feedback. The interagency project team consists of the Army Corps of Engineers, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will be at the meeting to answer questions about the FNOD Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS). This site is listed on EPA's National Priorities List.

Agenda topics for the evening feature:

- 2007 Project Budget
- Site Management Plan
- Army Corps Updates, including:
 - Briefings on environmental investigations at the Area of Concern 22 (Arsenic Investigation area), TNT Area update, Nansemond River Beach stabilization plan, Groundwater Conceptual Site Model update
 - Update on recent Military Munitions Response Program (ordnance removal) progress and findings

Background on the Restoration Advisory Board – The FNOD Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) was established in 1997. It is a communications forum that enables the public to directly provide input on cleanup efforts at the site to project team members of the Corps, VDEQ and the EPA. The RAB is comprised of a diverse group of stakeholders, including community members, local business representatives, local and state officials, a Tidewater Community College representative, other property owners and FNOD project team members from the Corps, VDEQ and the EPA. Additional project information can be found at: http://www.nao.usace.army.mil/fnod; or contact FUDs Program Manager, Adriane James, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, at (757) 201-7701.